


CONSUMER ATTORNEYS
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ELECTION OF OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 15, 2019

ATTENTION CAOC MEMBERS

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR 2019 ELECTIONS FOR YEAR 2020 OFFICES

Notice is hereby given that the following positions are open to challenge:

CANDIDATES

- President-Elect (Southern California) - Deborah Chang
- Vice President 1 (Northern California) - Craig Peters
- Vice President 2 (Southern California) - Gregory G. Rizio
- Vice President 3 (Northern California) - Kathryn Stebner

Notice is hereby given that the following positions are open for 2019 Elections:

- Vice President 4 (Southern California)
- Secretary (Northern California)
- Treasurer (Southern California)
- Financial Secretary (Northern California)
- Parliamentarian (Southern California)
- 53 Directors (divided by Districts)
- 34 At-Large Directors (statewide)

If you wish to be a candidate, you must file online at the CAOC website no later than **5:00pm PDT on August 16, 2019**. Please go to www.caoc.org/Nominations to view nomination information and to complete the online nominations form. All candidates must conform to the election guidelines regarding electioneering and campaigning, which will be available after nominations are closed and the contested races are announced.

NOTICE OF UPCOMING ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

Notice is hereby given that the Consumer Attorneys of California will be conducting association elections by online balloting.

Upcoming Association Elections	
Sept. 16-20	Online election of Officers and Board of Directors (by District and At Large) <i>voting by Regular and Sustaining members</i>

If you have questions regarding election procedures or rules, contact Nancy Drabble (nancyd@caoc.org) or Laurie Klimchok (laurie@caoc.org) at the CAOC state office (916) 442-6902.

Mike Arias
CAOC President

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE NOMINATION FORM

Online nominations are open July 15 - August 16, 2019

NOMINATION FORM

Log in at: www.caoc.org/nominations

Enter this information:

Candidate name
Firm
City
Office(s) nominating

Nomination fee:

You can pay online with a credit card or mail a check to CAOC.
If you nominate for more than one office, you must pay the fee for each office.

Photo: Please email a JPG to: board@caoc.org

(file must be less than 1 MB - oversize files will not upload in the database)

After the nominations close,
CAOC staff will advise if you are in a contested race.

If you are in a contested race:

- You will be advised to email a 100-word candidate statement to board@caoc.org by Wednesday, August 28, 2019.
- CAOC staff will complete a 2019 participation form which will be emailed to you for review.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Board of Directors. All directors must be voting members of the Association in good standing and must be dedicated to the purposes and mission of the Association. All directors must also be members in good standing of CAOC's President's Club and Advocates Club.

Officers. To be eligible to run for an Officer position, an individual must be a regular voting member in good standing with the Organization, **and** have served: (1) one year on the Board of Directors, or (2) one year on the CAOC PAC Board. Someone is deemed to have "served" on the Board of Directors or CAOC PAC Board for a year within the meaning of this section if they are currently completing their first year of service on either Board, even though the entire year of service is not completed at the time the person runs for the Officer position.

NOMINATION FILING FEES

POSITION	FILING FEE
President-Elect	\$400
Vice President 1, 2, 3 or 4	\$300
Secretary	\$300
Treasurer	\$300
Financial Secretary	\$300
Parliamentarian	\$300
Board of Directors	\$200
At-Large Board of Directors	\$200

Candidates may file for more than one position.
Candidates must submit a filing fee for each position.

CANDIDATE NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

- I. Candidates must submit the following items via the CAOC website at www.caoc.org/nominations. These must be received no later than 5:00pm on **August 16, 2019**.
 - A. Nomination Form
 - B. Nomination Fee payment
 - C. Candidate photo in JPG format emailed to board@caoc.org
- II. Candidates in contested races must submit the following items via email (board@caoc.org) no later than 5:00pm on **August 28, 2019**.
 - A. Candidate statement (must not be more than 100 words)

The Nominations and Election Committee and Board of Governors of the Consumer Attorneys Of California have officially adopted the following requirements:

1. No statement may exceed 100 words. All words will be counted. Abbreviations such as UCLA for University of California at Los Angeles and SFTLA for the San Francisco Trial Lawyers Association will be counted as one word.
2. The statements are to focus on two principle areas:
 - a. The candidate's participation in bar activities, particularly those related to the plaintiffs' bar; and
 - b. Any vision or plans the candidate has if elected.
3. The statements are not to make references to verdicts or settlements achieved by the candidate.
4. Statements are not to make reference to particular political parties or candidates for public office.

Statements which violate these guidelines will be returned to the proposed candidate whose statement will not be included in the election materials unless he or she timely submits a statement which complies with these rules. The CAOC state office can provide you with a sample statement if needed.

2019 ELECTION CALENDAR

July 1	Number of board seats determined by the number of members in each district
July 15	Notice of upcoming association election Nominations open for Officers and Board of Directors (Candidates must submit online Nomination Form with filing fee, and email photo.)
August 16	Nominations close for Officers and Board of Directors
September 16	Election open for Officers and Board of Directors
September 20	Election close for Officers and Board of Directors
September 24	Executive Committee appoints 10 additional At-Large Board of Directors
November 16	Officers and Board of Directors sworn in to office at Annual Installation and Awards Dinner
December 1	Beginning of term for incoming Officers and Board of Directors

2019 DISTRICT BREAKDOWN

SOUTHERN DISTRICTS	COUNTIES	NO. OF SEATS
District 1	San Diego	4 Board Seats
District 2	Orange	4 Board Seats
District 3	Los Angeles	10 Board Seats
District 4	Imperial, Claremont, Pomona, Riverside	2 Board Seats
District 5	San Bernardino	2 Board Seat
District 6	Ventura	1 Board Seat
NORTHERN DISTRICTS	COUNTIES	NO. OF SEATS
District 7	San Luis Obispo Santa Barbara	1 Board Seat
District 8	Kern	1 Board Seat
District 9	Fresno, Inyo, Kings Madera, Tulare	2 Board Seats
District 10	Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Stanislaus, Tuolumne	1 Board Seat
District 11	San Mateo	3 Board Seats
District 12	San Francisco	5 Board Seats
District 13	Marin	2 Board Seats
District 14	Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz	1 Board Seat
District 15	Santa Clara	2 Board Seats
District 16	Alameda, Contra Costa	4 Board Seats
District 17	Sacramento	3 Board Seats
District 18	San Joaquin	1 Board Seat
District 19	El Dorado, Nevada, Placer Sierra, Sutter, Yuba	1 Board Seat
District 20	Napa, Solano, Sonoma, Yolo	2 Board Seats
District 21	Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Plumas, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama, Trinity	1 Board Seat